

OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
24TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA

PRESS RELEASE

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An investigation led by the Noblesville Police Department and with assistance of Hamilton County Sheriff's deputies has resulted in the Hamilton County Prosecuting Attorney filing a charge of Murder against Micah William Harrison for killing a two-year-old male with a knife and a nail puller. Mr. Harrison is believed to be the victim's father.

Noblesville Police were alerted by a 911 call at approximately 4:45 p.m. on Wednesday, January 9, 2013. Law enforcement officers arrived at about 4:48 p.m. at 14924 Waterlily Drive, Apartment 14, in Noblesville. Officers detained Mr. Harrison at that general location.

Mr. Harrison is a resident of the State of Alabama. He is currently detained in the Hamilton County Jail.

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

Anyone having evidence or information about the alleged offense or who has had contact with Mr. Harrison in recent days is urged to contact the Noblesville Police Department at 317-776-6340. The investigation remains ongoing.

Mr. Harrison's initial hearing is scheduled to be held on Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 1:15 p.m.

A copy of the charging information and the affidavit of probable cause, which have been filed in this case, are attached for your reference.

Further inquiries about the litigation may be directed to Prosecuting Attorney D. Lee Buckingham, II or to Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Andre Miksha.

IN THE HAMILTON CIRCUIT/SUPERIOR COURTS

STATE OF INDIANA)

COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

STATE OF INDIANA)

VS.

MICAH WILLIAM HARRISON
24793 Patterson Road
Robertsdale, Alabama 36567-4329

OLN: 6925366 Alabama
DOB: 5/7/1982
SSN: XXX-XX-8758

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Race: W Sex: Male
Height: 6'00" Weight: 190
Eyes: Green Hair: Blond or Strawberry

BE IT REMEMBERED,

That on this day comes Andre Miksha, who being duly sworn upon his oath, says that in the County of Hamilton, State of Indiana,

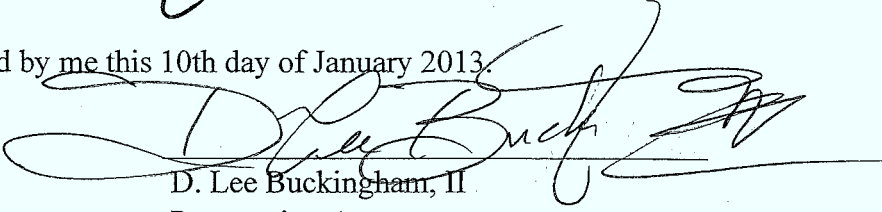
Count 1: on or about January 9, 2013 Micah William Harrison did knowingly or intentionally kill another human being, to-wit: Michael Harrison

All of which is contrary to the form of the statute of such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Indiana.

I affirm, under penalty of perjury as specified by IC 35-44.1-2-1, that the foregoing representations are true.


Andre Miksha

Approved by me this 10th day of January 2013.


D. Lee Buckingham, II
Prosecuting Attorney

COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
) SS:
STATE OF INDIANA)

IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT ____
CAUSE NO. 29 ____-1301-M~~2~~-____

AFFIDAVIT FOR PROBABLE CAUSE


Comes now, Det. Michael Sadler, who hereby affirming under the pains and penalties for perjury, swears upon his oath, deposes and says:

1. I am a Law Enforcement Officer with the Noblesville Police Department and have been so employed during all relevant times.
2. I am filing this affidavit for probable cause in support of the charge of **Murder, a Felony, under IND. CODE § 35-42-1-1(1)** against **MICAH WILLIAM HARRISON, a white/male, 6 ft/200lbs, blond hair, green eyes, Alabama DL #6925366.**
3. On Wednesday, January 9, 2013, at 4:45 p.m. a 911 call came in and officers were dispatched to an intentional stabbing. Officers of the Noblesville Police Department were dispatched to 14924 Waterlily Drive, Apartment 14, Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana. Apartment 14 is a two-bedroom apartment in the Autumn Breeze apartment complex.
4. The initial report to officers by dispatch was that a two-year-old male had been stabbed. First on the scene was Officer McDermott, who came in contact with Micah Harrison, a thirty-year-old male, who was outside and in front of the apartment complex in the parking lot. Officer McDermott arrived at 4:48 p.m.
5. Officer McDermott inquired of Micah whether he had called the police. Micah advised that he had not but pointed in the direction of Apartment 14. Officer McDermott then placed Micah into custody after patting him down and placed Micah into the back of McDermott's NPD vehicle. Officer McDermott observed what appeared to be blood on Micah's hands.
6. Other officers, including Officer Borders, Officer Yoder, and Det. Sadler arrived on scene shortly thereafter and entered the apartment and came into contact with Pamela Harrison, who identified herself as the victim's grandmother. Pamela directed officers to the spare bedroom in the apartment. There, officers observed the male, later identified as Michael Harrison and determined to have a date of birth of July 23, 2010.
7. Michael was lying on his back on the floor between the dresser and a television stand. Multiple wounds were observed: one in the center of the chest, one near the top of the chest, and one in the forehead. Each wound was bloody and appeared to be consistent with a stab.

8. Officers found that the body was cold to the touch and was pale. The officers placed a pillow over the wound on the child's forehead and began cardiopulmonary resuscitation until medical units arrived.
9. Officers secured the scene, including a four-year-old girl and a five-year-old girl, identified by Pamela as the other two children of Micah.
10. Pamela, a civilian witness whom we have no reason to believe to be untruthful, advised officers that Micah drove to Noblesville from his residence in Alabama on January 8th with his three children. The mother of the children did not come with Micah or the children on this trip.
11. Pamela advised officers on the scene that she had observed the following that afternoon: Micah stated that someone or something was trying to kill him. Pamela observed him thereafter attack a utility closet door with a claw hammer. Pamela took the hammer from Micah told him there was no one there. Pamela then went to hide the hammer underneath a bed in her master bedroom. Pamela later observed Micah moving quickly from the kitchen to the other bedroom where she knew Michael to be playing. Pamela went into that bedroom and observed Micah on top of Michael, who was lying on the floor. Pamela observed Micah stab Michael two (2) to three (3) times with a kitchen knife. Pamela took the knife from Micah and told Micah that he had just killed his son. Pamela placed the knife on the dresser and exited the bedroom to use the home phone and called 911.
12. Medical personnel arrived and noted that Michael was deceased.
13. Officers further observed spatters of blood on the bed, walls, furniture, and ceiling in the spare bedroom. Also on the top of the dresser, officers found a nail puller, which was a tool with a shape that appeared to be consistent with the forehead injury.
14. These incidents occurred in Hamilton County, Indiana.

I hereby affirm, under the penalty of perjury as specified by IND. CODE § 35-44.1-2-1, that the foregoing representations are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

January 10, 2013
DATE


SIGNATURE OF AFFIANT
Det. Michael Sadler
Noblesville Police Department